Ronald Wastewater District Assumption Transition Committee of Elected Officials (CEO) Update

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Overview

- RWD Assumption Timeline
- Overview of CEO Work to Date
- Opportunity to Hear from the CEO Council Membership
- Feedback on Draft Transition Plan



RWD Assumption Timeline

- RWD Interlocal Operating Agreement Executed
 - October 22, 2002
- Assumption Ordinance Adopted (No. 681)
 - December 9, 2013
- King County Boundary Review Board Approval
 - September 18, 2014
- Snohomish County Boundary Review Board Denial
 - Currently Under Appeal
- Assumption Completed
 - October 23, 2017

CEO Process

- CEO meetings held June 2014 through December 2015
- Council CEO Updates October 2014, May 2015 and October 2015
- CEO to review and finalize Transition Plan at January and potentially February 2016 meetings
- Assumption Transition Implementation: 2016-2017

CEO Goal and Work Product

- Transition Goal as outlined in 2002 IOA (Section 5.6)
 - "Negotiate in good faith the terms of final transition so as to ensure a smooth transition from District to City operations"
- Development of Transition Plan
 - Goal of approval by both Council and RWD Board
 - Encompasses the policy issues identified in CEO Charter (Issue Papers)
- Transition plan completion February/March 2016

CEO Issue Papers/Policy Issues

- Financial Policies
- Personnel Policies
- Budget and CIP
- Facilities
- Financial Systems
- Asset Management and Public Records
- Purchasing and Contracts
- Equipment, Furnishings and Fixtures
- City Municipal Code and Utility Advisory Board

Assumption Transition Plan

- Incorporates Issue Papers by Topic; identified in Section titled Transition Plan Work Items and Policy Agreements
- Has Introduction, CEO Background, Value of the CEO, and Communication Plan Sections
- CEO reviewed Draft Plan at December 2015 meeting; minor changes incorporated into current draft
- RWD Board reviewing at their January meetings



Next Steps

- Council adoption of Transition Plan currently scheduled for March 14, 2016 (could potentially be moved up)
- Finalize Transition Work Plan



Recommendation

 Staff recommends that Council discuss the RWD Assumption Transition Plan and provide direction to staff any amendments the Council would like to make to the Plan.

